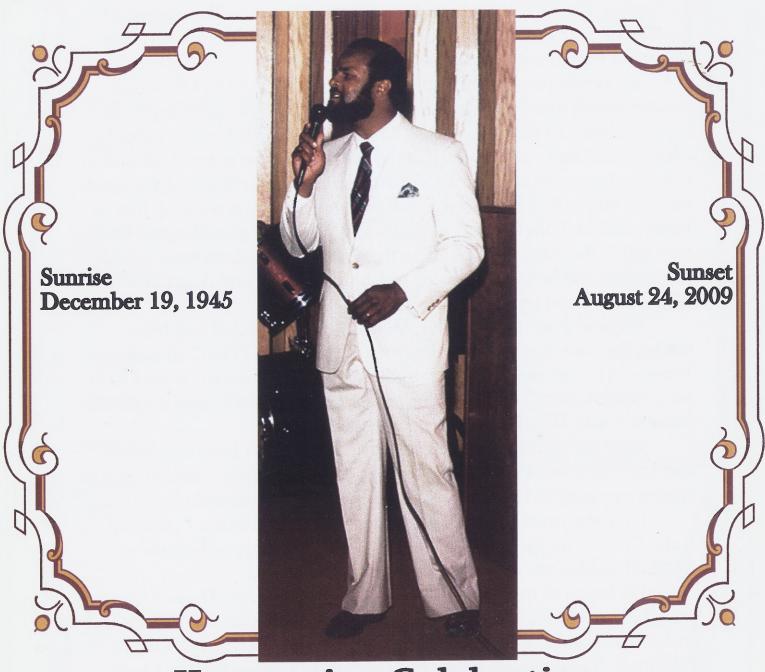
In Loving Memory of Jerry Lawrence Combs



Homegoing Celebration September 5, 2009 11 AM

Independent Holiness Communiy Church 605 So. 16th St. Richmond, California

Pastor, William F. Combs, Officiating



Obituary Of Jerry Lawrence Combs



Jerry Lawrence Combs was born to Frank and Irene Combs on December 19, 1945 in Richmond California. Jerry was the youngest brother of fourteen children. Jerry attended Walter T. Helms Junior High and Richmond High School.

As a child Jerry learned to sing and play music well. His loving mother would stand him on a table at McGlothlen Temple Church of God in Christ, so the audience could see him sing. As he grew older he played guitar and sang so well that the talent shows he entered refused to consider him as an amateur contestant. Jerry won the battle of the bands on Nob Hill in San Francisco, California and a talent scout took him to Hollywood and offered him an audition of which he was accepted for the lead roll in the stage play "Hair" in the 1970's. His talents were quickly recognized and he was promoted to Choreographer and Assist Director of the Hollywood production

He later joined his brother, William Combs (Baba) and Jesse Cosby, they together continued touring with the play "Hair" all over Europe. He was later recruited to the stage production of "Jesus Christ Superstar" in New York. Jerry was one of the first black singing artists to be signed with Warner Brothers Records.

Jerry later in his life accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and was called to the Ministry, where he delivered many insightful and inspiring messages at Green Pastures in Richmond, California.

Jerry was preceded in death by his mother and father Frank and Irene Combs, his brother Roy Combs, his great nephew, Kristopher Mitchell and his niece, Patricia Combs

He leaves to morn is passing, his children, Damon Darnell Combs, Jerry L. Combs, Jr., Marcus Combs, Sarah Combs, Garland Combs and Joshua Combs; his brothers and sisters and their spouses; Bill Combs (Mildred), Shirley Jones, Zeller Hurd, William Combs (Veda), Queen Seacer, Dorothy Morrison-Henry (Herman), Treesineu Webster (Lamont) and Diana Combs-Crosby (Jesse) along with a host of Grand-children, nieces and nephews.

